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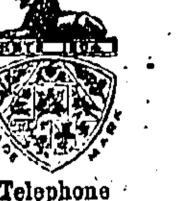
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Auction.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

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J. H. STEWART LOCKHART, Colonial Secretary. Colonial Secretary's Office, Hongkong, 9th December, 1899. [15782]

Particulars of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on Wednesday, the 27th day of December, 1899, at 3 P.M., at the Offices of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor, of One-Lot of CROWN LAND, at Mong-Kok-Tsui, Kowloon, in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 75.
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At 14, Queen Street, Singapore, on Tuesday, 12th December, CLEMENTINA LOUISA, the beloved wife of E. Tessensohn.

Hongkong Welegraph

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, DECEMBER 21, 1899

REUTER'S TELECRAMS.

THE WAR.

Speech by Mr. Goschen. Lospon, December 19th.

Mr. Goschen referring to the eagerness of sailors to participate in the war in South Africa, declared that the full complement of every war-ship must be ready for any

The War.—Re-inforcements. -Canada's-offer-of-a-second-Contingent for service in South Africa has been accepted.

General Methuen' Force.

The situation at Modder River is a complete impasse. The Boers are gathering larger forces and have made defences which are unassailable. On the other hand, they are unable to attack General Methuen's

The enemy's only disadvantage is the precariousness of water and food supplies.

The United States.

The House of Representatives has passed the Government Currency Bill.

WAR NEWS BY WIRE.

A Boer Ruse. 'LONDON, December ist.

The garrison at Mafeking was nearly caught in a clever Boer trap a little time ago. The enemy suddenly disappeared, leaving a big gun behind them. Luckily, Colonel Baden-Powell suspected a trap, and cautiously sent out scouts, who discovered a large body of the enemy in hiding in a dip of the ground whence a hot fire could have been poured upon the spot where the gun was left. No engagement took place | funds of the Hospitals :and the scouts retired. The Boers, finding the ruse had failed, took possession of their gun

Messrs. Knight and Churchill.

December and. Mr. Knight, a war correspondent for the Morning Post, was wounded at Modder River by a "dum-dum" bullet in the right arm, which has been amputated. His colleagues are both prisoners-Stuart at Ladysmith, and Winston Churchill at Pretoria. General sympathy is

felt for the Morning Post. The surgeons are confident of the speedy recovery of Lord Methuen. His wound was merely a flesh one, and he is as fit as a fiddle.

British Prisoners.

December 4th. A Pretoria correspondent describes the entry into the Transvual of the British who were taken prisoners at Dundee. They were escorted by a strong guard past the President's house. Mr. Kruger, who was standing on the terrace;

(From Dutch Sources.)

THE HAGUE, December 4th. The Boers are straining every nerve to prevent the British from crossing the Tugela River. The Times says that the cannon of General Lord Methuen's army have been taken across the Modder River. Ladysmith is bombarded more severely than ever. The garrison suffers heavy losses. It is beyond doubt that northern portion of Cape Colony is in orthern volt. The inhabitants of Ventered (Cape volt. Colony) and the neighbourhood have joined the Free Staters, and are advancing against General Gatacre at Nauwpoort, with the object of completely shutting in his force.

December 6th. The Times describe the situation of the garrison at Lady-mith as most sad. The daily rations have had to be lessened. Disease rages among the garrision, and carries off an increasing number of victims. These calamities are aggravated by the heavy bombardment of the Boers, who have ound out the weak | columns. spots of the fortificatnois. Their fi e is directed upon these spots. Their large forty-pounder, the so-called Long Tom, has been placed at a short distance from the western part of the fortifications, which it wholly commands. On the 2nd December, the Boers entered Dordredrecht in Northern Cape Colony, and made themselves masters of the town.

December 7th. General Buller has expressed in a telegram his uneasiness regarding the bombardment of Excellency Major-General Gascoigne, C.M.G. Ladysmith. He states that, since the 30th November, thirty two pieces of cannon have been bombarding the town. It is believed that Steynsburg in Cape Colony has been General), the Hon. R. Murray Rumse

occupied by the Boers. Information from Kimberley gives the strength of the Boer army north of the Modder M. Thomson (Colonial Treasurer), the Hon. C. River at fourteen thousand men. The garrison | P. Chater, the Hon. Dr. Ho Kai, the Hon. E. of Kimberley has made several unsuccessful R. Belilios, C.M.G., the Hon. Wei A Yuk, Mr. sorties. Three thousand Boers have joined Cronje's army at Spytfontein. The bridge over the Tugela has been wholly destroyed by the Boers. The military critic of the Westminster Gazette expresses openly his uneasiness regarding the positions taken up by General Lord Methuen and Gatacre. The Times says that the situation at Ladysmith is daily becoming more critical.

(From French Sources.)

A Havas telegram, dated Paris, 7th instant contains the statement that 8,000 of the Cape Dutch have broken out in revolt in the nort of the Colony.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Observatory report says &

On the zist at 11.55 a.m. the barometer has fallen slightly on the China coast. Pressure is highest over N. China, and a shallow area of low pressure seems to be moving Eastwards between N. Formosa and W. Japan. FORE: CAST : -- Moderate or fresh N. winds ; fine.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

NEW stamps of nine denominations have been issued in Siam. They will not, however, be issued at Bangkok until the old issue has been -almost-exhausted.-

TO-MORROW afternoon, at Causeway Bay, the Engineers' Institute will play off their Shield tie with "F" Company, R.W.F. Kick-off at three o'clock. Referee-Lieut, Greene, R.A.

-ГРик-Bangkok-Gricket-Glub-played-against-аteam from H.M.S. Centurion and Linnel onthe 6th inst. The visitors started, and declared heir innings closed with 151 runs at a cost of three wickets. The Club followed, and, when stumps were drawn, they had succeeded in reaching the score of the visitors for the loss o five wickets.

As an instance of the absence of anything like an Intelligence Department connected with the Imperial Government, the Governor of Chékiang has had to send a special deputy to Shanghai and another one to Peking to keep him an courant with the movements of the Italian fleet, which it is suspected has designs on Chékiang province.---N. C. D. News.

An inspection of the Customs schooner Dolphin, which was driven ashore some weeks ago a little to the Westward of the N.E. Promontory, says the N. C. D. News, has recently been made by the Customs officials and it has been found that the vessel, which is lying on a sandy beach, can be got off after executing necessary repairs. Workmen have therefore been sent to carry out the scheme.

On Saturday, the Hongkong Cricket Club play the Navy; Club team: --- A. G. Ward, J. A. Lowson, G. R. Vallings, E. Mast, H. Hill, R. B. Johnson, Grant Smith, Capt. Langhorne, F. Maitland and W. H. Howard.. On Monday and Tuesday, the Club play the United Services, begin at 2 p.m. on Monday, team :- A. G. Ward, F. Maitland, P. A. Cox, J. A. Lowson, Woodgate, J. A. Ross, K. W. Mounsey, J. E. Lee, F. H. Kew, H. R. Hancock and A. Mackenzie.

OWING to the drifting of one of the temporary marks outside Taku the China Merchants steamer Taishun got ashore on the north bank. The Company's steamers Poochi and Kwangchi at once went to her assistance and after discharging her cargo she was got off and proceeded over the bar to load for Shanghai. On the 10th the river was free of ice, a southerly wind and a warm temperature prevailing The steamers Tientsin, Kasning, Hoangho, and l'ungching were at Tangku on that date.-N. C. D. News.

THE Hon. Treasurer of the Alice Memorial and Nethersole Hospitals begs to acknowledge with thanks the following donations to the

Hospital Sunday :--

St. John's Cathedral.....\$234.97 Union Church 146.83 To Tsai Chapel (L. M. S. Chinese) 52.65 St. Stephen's Church (C. M.S.)..... 27.20 St. Peter's Church (C. M. S.)...... 23.76 Hakka Church Basil Mission 14.10 Wesleyan Chinese Church...... 10,00 Bethesda German Church......

In the case of the looting and wrecking of the pilot boat No. 4 by the Chinese at Nanhiu, says the Shanghai Mercury, the Taotai's Deputy has given his judgment to the effect that the evidence was insufficient to prove that the boat ran aground through the anchor having been robbed; that the tipao and runners were to blame for not having taken due care of the boat when they were informed of its being aground; and that according to the medical certificate given by Dr. Cooper, the complainant had not received severe injuries through being assaulted by the Chinese, and that the comuncovered as they passed; and the soldiers plaint was much exaggerated. The case was therefore dismissed.

IT is stated that the Japanese sunsul at Soochow is urgently requesting as Chinese officials to open another gate by to the city between the Feng Men an ean Men, to improve commu-

nication win the Japanese settlement there. Tas afternoon the prizes gained by the scholars of the Belilios. Public School were distributed by the Acting Chief Justice the Hon. W. Meigh Goodman. Owing to the pressure on our space we are prevented from giving a full report till to-morrow.

WE would call the attention of our readers to the fact that in future the Imperial German Mail Steamers for Europe will leave fortnightly, at noon on every oth r Wednesday. Full particulars of the sailings of these magnificent steamers will be found in our advertising

HONGKONG LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

This afternoon a meeting of the Hongkong Legislative Council was held in the Council Chamber at the Government Offices, there being present His Excellency the Governor (Sir Henry Blake, G.C.M.G.), His (Commanding the troops), the Hon. J. H. Stewart Lockhart, C.M.G. (Colonial Secretary the Hon. H. E. Pollock (Acting Attorney (Harbour Master), the Hon. F. H. May, C.M.G (Captain Superintendent of Police), the Hon. A R. F. Johnston (Acting 'Clerk of Councils.) The Clerk of Council read the minutes of the

last meeting. The Hon. Colonial Secretary laid on the table correspondence with reference to the services of the Volunteer Corps in connection with the occupation of the New Territory.

From the General Officer Commanding China and Hongkong, to His Excellency the Governor of Hongkong, &c., &c.

Hongkong, 11th December, 1899. Sir,—I have much pleasure in transmitting to you for your information the enclosed copy of a letter from the. War Office respecting the recent services rendered by the Hongkong Volunteer Coms.

> I have the honour to be, Sir, Your obedient servant, W., L. Gascoigne, Major-General

Commanding in China and Hongkong. (Enclosure.) War Office.

London, S.W.,

oth November, 1899. Sir,--I am directed by the Secretary of State for War to inform you that a report has been received from the Colonial Office respecting the occupation of the New Territory near Kowloon, in China, and I am to express Lord Lansdowne's satisfaction with the promptness and alacrity display by the Hongkong Volunteers on that occasion.

his appreciation of the services rendered by the Corps conveyed to those concerned. I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant.

· Lieut. · Colonel,

(Signed) LESLIE RUNDLE, D.A.G. The General Officer Commanding in China and-Honekone... N. V. O'GORMAN,

Chief Staff Officer, Hongkong. Hongkong, '11th December, 1899. FINANCIAL MINUTE (NO. 28.) The Hon. Col. Secretary moved that Financial

Minute No. 28. "The governor recommends the Council to vote a sum of \$250 in aid of the vote "Maintenance of gardens" be referred to the Financial Committee. The Hon. Col. Treasurer seconded. Passed.

FINANCIAL MINUTE (NO. 12.) The Hon. Col. Secretary moved that the report of the Finance Committee on Financial Minute No. 12 be adopted.

The Hon. Acting Attorney General moved the first reading of a Bill entitled The Piers

THE PIERS ORDINANCE.

The Hon. Col. Treasurer seconded.

Passed.

Ordinance, 1899. -The-Hon-Colonial-Secretary seconded.-----AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE COMPANIE

ORDINANCE. The Hon. Colonial Secretary moved the second reading of a Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend the Companies Ordinance, 1899.

The Colonial Secretary seconded. AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE DANGEROUS

GOODS ORDINANCE. The Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled Ar Ordinance to amend the Dangerous Goods Ordinance, 1873.

The Council went into Committee on this billy and the Hon. Actg. Attorney Genera moved several amendments which being accepted the Council resumed.

The Hon, Col. Secretary seconded.

SUMMMONING OF CHINESE BEFORE THE REGISTRAR, GENERAL.

The Hon. Acting Attorney General moved the

second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to provide for the summoning of Chinese before the Registrar General. The Hon, Col. Secretary seconded. Dr Ho Kai said he did not intend to offer any opposition to the Bill under the circum

stances but in committee intended to move ar amendment limiting the period for the opera tion of this Ordinance. His Excellency the Governor, explained the

limited operation of the Bill and expressed the opinion that the time limitation proposed by Dr Ho Kai would be perfectly reasonable, and on putting the question the second reading of the Bill was passed. The Council went into committee, and the

Bill was passed clause by clause. SiDr. Ho Kai moved as an amendment a clause limiting the period of the operation of the Bill to two years. Passed.

The Council then resumed.

CARRIAGE OF ARMS AND AMMUNITION. The Hon. Attorney General moved the second reading of the Bill entitled An Ordinance to amend and consolidate the law relating to the carriage and possession of arms and l ammunition. The Hon. Col. Secretary seconded.

be heard on behalf of the Arms dealers of the Colony in opposition to the Bill. Dr. Ho Kai seconded. Passed. Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. then addressed the

Council in opposition to the Billiand

Loft setting.

The Hen., E. R. Bellilos moved that Council

SANITARY BOARD.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board held this afternoon, the following papers were laid upon the table :--

PLAGUE AT HOMBAY.

From returns submitted to the members of Sanitary Board we gather the number of cases and deaths reported, to the Bombay authorities, from October 24th to November 20th are 551 cases, 362 deaths. -

APPOINTMENT OF MAJOR BROWN, R.A.M.C., TO THE SANITARY BOARD.

Letters concerning the appointment, and acceptance of Major Brown, R.A.M.C., were circulated.

OUTBREAK OF PLAGUE AT KOBE. Letters' concerning the outbreak of plague at

Kobe (Japan), as reported in our recent-issues, were circulated among the members of the Sanitary Board.

The following report by Mr. C. V. Ladds, Colonial Veterinary Surgeon, was circulated among the thembers:---

Sir,-- I have the honour to submit the following for the consideration of the Board - Part of Sect. 3 of Ord. 15 of 1885 provides that "and no person shall, from the month of April to the month of September, both inclusive, offer for sale in this Colony any pheasant or par-

Nowas pheasants and partridges pair in March, if not before, I recommend that the Board beasked to amend this part of the ordinance so as to read and no person shall from the month of March to the end of September, both inclusive, offer for sale in this Colony any pheasant, partridge, or quail.

Quail may be included in the amendment for the reason that at present these birds are not protected at all, are therefore offered for sale in the markets during the whole of the breeding

Minute attached by Capt. Superintendent of Police.-Mr. Ladds' suggestions are good ones. Shooting licences run from 1st September to 1st March, but under the present laws, game dealers can sell game for a month after sportsmen are debarred from shooting,

- MODEL DWELLINGS: The Sanitary Board recommended recently that a premium should be offered for model design for Chinese tenement houses; the following reply from the Government was circulated:-

Sir,-In reply to your query as to whether the Government is prepared to offer a premium for designs for model Chinese dwelling houses, I am directed by the Governor to inform you that His Excellency does not approve of offering any such premium. (Sd.) J. H. STEWART LOCKHART.

Mezzanine floors or cockcofts were circulated:— MEZZANINE FLOORS OR COCKLOFTS. 1. Under the provisions of Section 5, Subsection (n) of Ordinance 34 of 1899, it is unlawful to construct, put up, continue or maintain in any room of any domestic building, any mezzanine floor, or cocklost whatsoever which is not in accordance with the following re-

The following regulations concerning

(a) Such room shall be situated in the ground door and shall be used only as a shop or

(b) The building shall be constructed and maintained in a satisfactory sanitary condition, (c) The mezzanine floor, or cocklost shall not extend over more than one half of the floor area of the room and shall have a clear space below it of not less than nine feet measured vertically, provided that this space is sufficient to prevent the obstruction of any doorway or window situated in an external wall.

(d) The space above such mezzanine floor, or cockloft shall be used for storage purposes only, unless such space measures not less than nine feet vertically, in which case it may be used for sleeping purposes also. The spaces above and below such mezzanine floor, or cocklost shall not be enclosed except in accordance w Section 4 of Ordinance 34 of 1899.

(c) No mezzanine floor, or cocklost, shall be erected or maintained in any room which contains one or more cubicles or partitions. (1) Provided that these regulations shall not

apply to any existing cocklost for which a

permit in writing has been issued by the the Sanitary Board in accordance with Government Notifications 373 and 407 of 1895. OVERCROWDING AS RELATING TO PLAGUE. The correspondence and matters relating to

attaching the following minute: "The matter can best be dealt with now by the Committee appointed to consider the question of a Trust Fund for Sanitary improvements. Such overcrowding as may exist can. be dealt with under the recently passed laws if we are only given the necessary staff asked for by the Board when the estimate were sent

THE VOLUNTEERS.

A Telegraph representative made enquiries his morning concerning the offer recently made: by the Hongkong Volunteers to provide 50 menfully equipped for active service. He was informed that the men were still eager and willing to go to South Africa, but that at the present time it was impossible to obtain, guns and ammunition, all the available stores in England being utilized by the Regulars. Our volunteers need noty however, consider themselves slighted in any way. Hongkong is a most important position to hold the third port in the British Empire, and although all eyes are now turned to South Africa that Especial portion of the map does not constitute the whole of the Empire. Other points have to be guarded, and, considering the ill feeling now existing against 45, it would be the height of folly to denude our outposts of their recognised defences. There might not be so much glory to be obtained by our Volunteers stopping at home, but it is evidently their duty to remain and protect these shores. The Volunteers must not think by so doing they are enrolled amongst the useless. representative was informed that their services would probably be called for as the men of the Royal Army Medical Corps were sadly needed at the front and they were to be asked to find men to assist in the local military hospitals. while their "regular" comrades were sent to the seat of war. We should remind our hotheaded young volunteers that a nation's strength. lies principally in its capabilities of self defense. If other countries do interfere they will find the population of Britain's colonies und dependencies willing to fight for the flag.

AT THE MAGISTRACY.

before Mr. Halifax were charged with being Lords in 1872, and reported in Law Reports 5 in possession, of five plates of white metal, English and Irish Appeal Cases, person Who o fixed abode, this morning at the Magistracy, reasonably supposed to be stolen. They, admitted two previous convictions and were sentenced to \$100 or 3: months' imprisonment with hard labour. They went to prison.

the same offence before the same Magistrate, second defendant admitting one previous executor of the deceased partner may bring a

conviction, were sentenced to two and one month respectively.

Chung Tai, for carrying 32 revolvers in his, unk without a licence was, this morning, sentenced to three months' imprisonment or \$100 fine, by Mr. Halifax.

Cheffing Tai, for having in his possession 3,200 rounds of revolver ammunition and 800 boxes of percussion caps, reasonably suspected of having been unlawfully, obtained was sentenced to three months' imprisonment by

Mr. Halifax at the Magistracy this morning. - Chan I, for attempting to commit suicide: was camloued and discharged by Mr. Halifax.

LEGAL INTELLIGENCE.

-SUPREME COURT.

CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before His Hon. W. M. Goodman, Acting Chief Justice.):

December 21st.

LAMMA PIRACY. Chan Sam, Lac Lok, Chung Chung and Lai-King were charged with, on the 25th November making an armed attack upon the junk Pun Lee, wounding one of the crew by shooting him in the thigh and looting the junk of property

which belonged to the crew. The prisoners pleaded not guilty and the following jury were impanelled: W. H. T. Davis, F. H. A. Fuchs, 11.-W. Rumcker, F. D. McLean, F. J. Barros, D. H. Silas, H.-W.

Mr. Pollock, for the prosecution, went briefly over the circumstances connected with the piracy. The plaintiffs were imployed on the junk Pun Lee and had for some months past been trading up and down the coast. On Saturda the 25th November, they were attacked when outside the Lycemun pass by a small boat manned by five men armed with revolvers, and swords who shot the steersman in the thigh and drove the remainder of the crew below and then rifled the junk and escaped. On the pirates leaving the junk the crew of the latter furned back to Saukiwan and gave information, and on the following day a police launch discovered the boat belonging to the prisoners, on the shore. The police landed and four men, who were in the boat, ran away and the police, on chasing them, captured three of them whilst one got away. When arrested part of the stolen property was found upon two of the men. Nothing was found on one of the prisoners, but as he was in comyany with the other two it was a fair inference that he was concerned in the -piracy.—However, the prosecution did not depend upon that fact alone, but three out of the five men of the crew of the Pun Lee indentified him as being one of the robbers. The fourth man, the one who escaped, was arrested by the police the next day and was identified as being one of the pirates. He

would now call Chan Tung. Chan Tung duly sworn said he was a native of a place between Hongkong and Swatow. It would take a good breeze to go to that place; in one day; he was steersman of the Pur Lee on 25th November. The Pun Lee had a 200 piculs capacity and was a two masted -boat They-left-a-place just the other side of Kowloon about daylight with four others besides himself, Lum Kin-sa, Leung Lin, Cheung Kwan, and Lum Hing. They were bound for Pun Hom. They got to the Lycemum pass with only one bag of flour on board and took sand on board as ballast and continued their journey! There was no wind so they lowered the

sails and rowed. They rowed past Fen-tao

Chow and when past Chang Chow. They noticed a small boat, coming from the south part of the coast from a small temple. The boat came, alongside the junk and ordered them to stop rowing, which they did. They ordered them to go down the hold. men in the boat were armed with knives and revolvers; there were 5 men in the boat, two armed with revolvers and he did not know how many were armed with swords, but some were. As soon as they got alongside the boat they started firing and a bullet entered his thigh and he fell down and became unconscious. He recognized the man who fired at him as one of the prisoners in the dock. When he recovered his senses he was at Saukiwan, late on the same morning, and found that part of his pro-

perty had been stolen. Similar evidence having been given by the remainder of the crew corroborating the statements of the former witness, the judge summed this important subject was recirculated among up and the jury after a short retirement found the members, the Medical Officer of Health the prisoners guilty.

> IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION. Before His Hon. W. M. Goodman (Acting

IMPORTANT POINT AS TO THE STATUTE OF LIMITATIONS. Suit No. 8 of 1899. - between Ho Fung Wangi Administrator of the estate and effects of Ho I

Shek (deceased) plaintiff and Chan Kit Shan

Chief Justices)

December 21st.

and Sz Kuk San, defendants -Hon. H. E. Pollock (instructed by Mr. F. B. Bowley) represented the plaintiff; Mr. J. J. Francis, Q.C. (instructed by Mr. C. Ewons) represented the defendants:

His Lordship delivered the following judge The plaintiff in this suit sugare Administrator of Ho I Shoky deceased. The Petition alleges that, at the time of his death, Ho I Shek was entitled to certain shares in two Opium Firms, and the plaintiff claims, against the defendants as partners in such firms, an account of the partnership dealings affecting such shares and that it may be ascertained of what such shares and the unpaid profits thereon now con-

sist and he asks that payment should be made to

him of what might appear due in repect thereof

to the estate of the deceased. One of the answers of the defendants, to this claim is, that even if there were, otherwise, good grounds for such claim, which they deny, it is barred by the Statutes of Limitation. It was desired-by the parties to determine this question first; and, accordingly, the following Issue of Law was settled, viz. - Assuming that all the facts stated in the petition are true, is or is not the plaintiff's claim herein barred by the Statutes of Limitation.' Now, in the ordinary course of things, when one partner dies, the partnership property vests in the surviving pattners. The representative of the deceased partner, however, has a right to an account and to receive that portion of the clear balance which accrues to the deceased's share and interest in the partnership. The Statute of Limitations applies and the representative of the deceased inustabring his claim within six years from the time at which the Statute first begins to run. If any authority is required. Li Yau and Tain Szc. marine hawkers of no for that proposition it is to be found in the ixed abode this morning at the Magistracy, case of Knox v. Cive, decided by the House of

an executor is appointed by the Will of the deceased, the punction temporis from which the statutory period of six years begins to conis the date at which the partnership estate came Wong Loung and Li Shing charged with fo be re-ted in the surviving partners, At any time during the currency of that period the

Suit demanding from the surviving partner an account of the partnership concerns, but after the statutory period has clapsed, no such suit can be maintained. It must be borne is mind their hand to hand fighting capabilities?

Suit demanding from the surviving partner an account of the partnership concerns, but after some in the mole efficacious training of the from conscription. By our children were free the statutory period has clapsed, no such suit men, whose lives may at some time depend on their hand to hand fighting capabilities?

Suit demanding from the surviving partner an is squandered in military matters. Why not from conscription because the surviving partner an is squandered in military matters. Why not from conscription because the surviving partner an is squandered in military matters. Why not from conscription because the surviving partner an is squandered in military matters. Why not from conscription because the surviving partner an is squandered in military matters. Why not from conscription because the surviving partner an is squandered in military matters. Why not from conscription because the surviving partner an is squandered in military matters. Why not from conscription because the surviving partner an is squandered in military matters. Why not from conscription because the surviving partner and su that the right of an executor to sue vests in lieu by virtue of the Will and he may commence an action even before he has taken out Probate. Where, however, the deceased dies intestate, there is no personal representative who can Administrator sued upon a life policy effected by the deceased intestate, the statute would run from the grant of Administration and not form the date of the death. The reason assigned for this principle is, that the cause of action referred to in the Limitation Act in question, 21 James 1st, cap 16, cannot exist unless there be also in existence a person capable of suing. This proposition was clearly laid down in A.D. | day, open to services :---1821 in Murray (Administrator) 7: The East India Company, 5 Barnwell and Alderson's Reports, p. 201, where the plaintiff succeeded on this very ground, Chief Justice Abbot saying peted. The R.E.'s won by 14 lengths on the Now, independently of authority, we think hirst day, that it cannot be said that a cause of action exists, unless there be also a person in existence capable of suing.' In that case the action was brought within 6 years after the grant of the penalty was out of all reason. Neverthe-Administration but more than 6 years after less the R.Es, won the Championship. the claim first, arose. Such being the law with regard to the Statute of Limitation, it may be well to, look at the facts and dates in the present cases as shown in the petition. It appears that Ho I (Shek died, intestate, on or about 19th June, 1880. The Letters of Administration under which the plaintiff sues, were not granted till about 21st June, 1897, that is to say seventeen years after the death of Ho I Shek and this suit was not commenced until 13th January, 1899, that is to say more than eighteen years after such death. Of course, if the statue did not begin to run till the grant of Administration to the plaintiff, his claim is not barred, for he began his suit within less than two years from being appointed Administrator. Between the death of Ho I Shek and the grant of Administration to the plaintiff, however, it seems that a forged Will purporting to be that of the deceased was produced, and that one, Ho Chik Fan, the executor named therein, obtained Probate in November 1886. That date was - more than six years after the death of Ho-I Slick. In any case, Ho Chik Fan in no way interfered with the shares of the deceased in the Opium firms, and ten years after the Probate had been obtained, namely, on or about 17th November, 1895, the alleged Will was declared and and void, by this Court, in Suit No. 48 of 1896, on the ground that it was a forgery, and the Probate was thereupon re-... voked. It may here be noticed that if the Will had been a genuine one the executor's claim would have been barred by the statute after the | State. lapse of six years from the death of the testator. As, however, the Will; was a forgery it is clear that, at all events until Probate was granted, there was no one in existence capable of suing, of Civil Appointments for determination of and as Probate was not granted till more than six years after the death, whatever the rights of the executor under the forged will may have been before the Probate was revoked, it seems clear that any claim he made under the Probate would have been barred by the Statute; for he could only have sued upon the hypothesis that the will was genuine. It follows, that the temporary existence of the executor under the improperly obtained Probate was not the existence of a person capable of suing, at all eventss, -effectively. I am, therefore, of opinion that, should take in the National movement for unless I am prepared to ignore the decision of that great lawyer, Chief Justice Abbot, I must hold that in this case the Statute of Limitations began to run only from the time of the Grant of Administration to the plaintiff. I cannot ignore that decision and I decide accordingly

CORRESPONDENCE.

to costs.

that the plaintiff's claim is not barred by the

Statute of Limitations. The issue being

We do not necessarily endorse the opinions expressed by Correspondents in this column.]

A WORD FOR THE BAYONET. TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG TELEGRAPH."

DEAR SIR, -- When I wrote the "Lessons to be learnt from the Volunteer Camp " I spoke very strongly on the good work that would be required to be done by that most British weapon, the bayonet, and advocated that the use of it should be more popularized in the training of the soldier. I know that if is generally asserted that with the long range rifles now in use that the fighting would never come to close quarters so the bayonet was out of date, being practically useles. The war in "South Africa has clearly shown this to be a fallacy, and the reason is not hard to find; two armies cannot afford to keep on fighting by rifle fire at long range, the slaughter is too great. The victory goes to the side with the most dash, who push across the intervening space and decide the combat at the point of the bayonet. If I am not mistaken, all our victories have been gained in this manner,

- I do not see the use of criticism, unless italso teaches a lesson and I think a very, useful - one is to be learnt here; that is, greater attention should be paid to the training of the left fatherless, and in the words of the poem | mediate commencement of hostilities. A state of protraction of the campaign. The time was soldier in the use of this weapon. At present speaking from four years' experience when I was armed with a bayonet, the only lesson in "aword-bayonet exercise"; no doubt this is a not go far enough. I have seen men, myself I mean Sir, they learn the exercise in the same | soldiers and sailors, way as a Chinese schoolboy learns his lessons, The Rev. W. S. Moule, B. A., in moving the sent organisation, this country could, in a fort- Ladysmith in a much better position for off by heart, without a shadow of an idea of second resolution: "That a Committee be night, mobilise and have ready to move a force | desence, having the line of railway open, and how to ultilize their knowledge. How can appointed to collect funds," spoke of how of all arms, all physically fit for campaigning, being able to bring up stores. And, above all, this be remedied? Men who are intended for recent events had peculiarly moved the hearts such as had never been assembled for an expeditione was secured to bring up, among other gymnasium instructors are faught how to fight. of Britishers, especially the younger genera- tion to a distant part of the world before; (2) reinforcements, those powerful naval guns with the bayonet, by means of combais among tion, and was personally thankful that the that it possessed an available reserve, by which, which had done so much to make the defence assaults-at-arms, when the favoured few compete, and the public are gulled into the idea that all soldiers are similarly trained. Nothing | Saunders, Dr. Smyth and Dr. Swallow. of the kind; only in the cavalry is there the kast attempt made to instil the idea of fighting, seconded the resolution. one man coming to the guard while his opponent makes the cut or point, but then it it stereotyped; each man knows exactly what sent position of affairs" he said, "appealed thousands of tonnage upon the sea, with good by General Buller's advance, of giving up the the other will do. This idea, however, ought to the hearts of all Britishers." He could steaming speed, to convey the anny to its role of invaders for that of defenders. In any to be extended, the only alternation being that from the highest motives appeal for practi- destination, without hampering its passenger or case, whatever might happen at Ladysmith, they should not know what out or point is to cal, sympathy, "pure religion and unde-be made. Some are already so exercised it filed before God and the Father being, to visit to speak of the success which had attended the invasion. (Applause.) It would be presumpwill be answered. Certainly, but they do it the fatherness and the widows in their affliction calling out of the reserves, General Macdonald tuous to forecast what the future course of the in the idea of and to keep oneself unspotted from the world. remarked that its moral effect would be incal- war would be incal- war would be incal- war would be incalgaining prizes at these exhibitions. Why I It was a just cause of pride to see such a fine culable. The fact that the vast majority were | General who had already carned the confidence on the 18th inst. not make this training compulsory making lot of disciplined men, unexampled in the found in employment would do much to eradi- of the nation, and who knew South Africa. all take part in it, not necessarily on every world's history, going forth to fight the nation's cate two ideas deep-rooted in the minds of the By the stops he had already taken he was drill, but having one drill a week when battles. He believed that they would cause no community namely that our soldiery were preparing the relief of Sir George White's out-

make that especial drill popular.

Some little time ago, it was announced that an assault-at-arms was about to be held in Hongkong. Has it fallen through? These are most interesting both to spectators and participants. I should propose that a public one be

Hongkong, December 21st, 1899.

THE REGATTA. To the Editor of the "Hongkung Trlegraph,"

Sir,-Will you kindly allow me to make a few remarks anent the "Gig Race" of yester-1.—The R.A. did not compete in this race.

2.—The "Victoria," R.E.; and "Marjorie," Royal Navy; were the only boats that com-3.—On the second day, the R.Es. were pena-

lised 18 (eighteen) seconds, why? The R.Es. again winning a hard race by half a length, but Truly yours,

Hongkong, December 21st, 1809.

[For Kyph's information we may say that the white boat which won the race was understood both by our reporter and others on the umpire's boat to be the R.A.'s. We thank him for his correction. Perhaps the umpires could say why the R.Es. were penalised --we cannot. - Ed., M.K. T.]

THE PLAGUE.

do. during past 24 hours...

Deaths reported to 20th instant.......1,420 Do. do. during past 24 hours...

Total...1,421 IMPERIAL DECREES.

Total...1,479

12th December. (1) Liao Shou-heng, President of the Board of Rites, is excused from further attendance as a probationary member of the Grand Council

of State. (2) Chao Shu-ch'iao, President of the Board of Punishments, is this day appointed a probationary member of the Grand Council of

(a) Chang Sui (Manchu) and Liu En-p4 Joint Comptrollers-General of the Imperial Granaries, are hereby handed over to the Board adequate rewards for the able manner in which they have done their duties during the year now closing.—N. C. D. News,

THE TRANSVAAL MEETING AT NINGPO.

A meeting was held at H.B.M. Consulate on the afternoon of the tith instant to consider what action the Britishers resident in Ningpo helping those who have been left behind by "The Absent-Minded Beggars."

The meeting was called at the instance H.B.M. Acting tonsul, Mr. E. Bennett, and at 4.30 p.m. the drawing-room of the Consulate was filled with Britishers, amongst whom was one naturalised Chinese,

Mr. Bennett proposed the first resolution :decided in the plaintiff's favour, he is entitled "That a fund be raised in aid of the disabled and of the families of those killed and wounded in our force in the Transvaal, and be remitted to the Lord Mayor of London.

In a few choice words, Mr. Bennett put before those present the duty-and privilege of easing some of the burdens of our soldiers and sailors. He mentioned the four funds towards which subscriptions could be given, viz:—The -Patriotic Fund; -Lloyd's -Patriotic -Fund; -The British Red Cross Society; and The Soldiers'

and Sailors' Families Association. He candidly admitted that the last had hi entire sympathy. Captain C. Deighton-Bray sher on rising to second the resolution said Doubtless you have read the report of the meetings held in Shanghai a few days ago "For the Sufferers from the War," and it would be but reiteration to add to the touching appeals made by Messrs. Warren, Anderson, Campbell, Muirhead, and McLood, since I feel sure you will all gene-

rously come forward and render as much help as lies in your power. The Home papers by the last mail tell us in very simple words how that new poem of Rudyard Kipling's has been received and the amount of good it has been the cause of doing and is still doing. In that poem he tells use

"" There is gas and coals and vittles, and the house ren And its more than rather likely there's a kid,"

pay! pay! the use of the bypopet a soldier gets, is the to you all, and not one of you present, except be adequate to the occasion. This, whatever in command at Ladysmith. The massing of a from hearsay, knows the horrors of war and the might follow from it, was a most valuable exervery useful exercise, but I maintain that it does | sufferings it entails. It seems to me to be but | cise, both as a test of system and organisation, }

yesterday since I witnessed Florence Night- and as an instructive experience from which included, who could go through the exercise ingale steam out of the Golden Horn for the much might be learned for the future. Further | thing, however, was certain, that had the course by "words of command" and in "quick time" | last time, when but three wounded men were | if successful, its success might have great moral splendidly, a machine could not have done it | left in the Scutari Hospital; and now in memory | effect in the world, which too readily assumed | fence when the Boers invaded Natal, we should more automatically, but if it had come to of my personal experience of those days, I that as we had no conscription we could not jumbling the exercise up the men', would have appeal to you for all the support you possibly mobilise an efficent army with rapidity and | tion there as we were at the present moment, been nonplussed at once. You will see what can give to the families of our dead and wounded completeness. The last five or six weeks had for by keeping hammering at the enemy at

meeting had been so promptly called. He at a few days' notice, the cadres of its corps could effective, and which would probably do proposed that the following four gentlemen be brought up to war strength by men at the more yet. For it was hardly too much to constitute the Committee :- E; Bennett, F. S. best age for campaigning, and who had received say, that these guns might prove to be the

one company could oppose mother company blush of shame to mantle the cheeks of the still drawn as they once were from the dregs of numbered force; and they might be sure he with gymnasium weapons? It would create nation through any unbridled manifestation of the population, and that a man who had been a would not forget the gallant defenders of more interest in the use of the weapon and their passions. He had full trust that our soldier was unfit for civil employment. And, Kimberley, and Mafeking, Where he would soldiers and sailors would so act not only in conversely, it would convince our young lads make his main advance we did not know. All Economical reasons will be raised. Where battle, but throughout the whole campaign as that a time of training in the army would not we did know was that his ultimate objective como from ? Goodness knows enough money European nation gave to its subjects, not the most desirable in justice to those the capital of the Orange State, which had joined kong.

of our own children in the range have none come down to us from former times. Success- and cops of Upper Natal and the country on the west of Natal. It would not be surprising ful, however, as our mobilisation had been, the our representatives and the least we say are force which it had assembled and equipped if we saw during the course of the next few H.I.G.M.S. Hertha... is to represent them in their familles. To could not reach the seat of war till many weeks weeks the Boer forces hurrying back from there be equal representation, so that where had elapsed. A small force from India arrived Natal through their passes, and taking their sue until Letters of Administration are taken out, and, in such case, I apprehend, the priceds given to the "Missus and Kids Fund" or to purchasing more weappared begins to run is the date of the Apologising for occupying so much of your was, that no British soldier or sailor would fall who had not his face to the foe, and that when this unhappy war was ended, and long days afterwards, there would be no cause to blush for the way in which they had fought for their country. He appealed, then, that each one should give his mite, his greater portion, and to the end still give; so that not a single widow nor one fatherless child shall have to go from door to door to seek the charity which it is now our privilege to manifest from patriotic and Christian motives. (Applause.)

The two resolutions were unanimously carried, the proceedings terminating by the enthusiastic singing of "God Save the Queen." -N. C. D. News.

A WORD OF SYMPATHY.

.The following very sensible letter appears it a Shanghai contemporary: 15th December, 1899.

To the Editor of the "SHANGHAL MERCURY."

SIR, -- The losses you have lately suffered on the battlefield evoke the sympathy of all your friends, but as one of them, though mourning greatly the terrible loss of life, I cannot feel much grieved at the reverses themselves, for brayery or tenacity, but only because the the grave charge that this war was forced on bravest and most energetic could not accompthe Boers must now fall to the ground. Your lish-impossibilities. (Applause.) Continuing, Government being quite unprepared for the struggle can never have had the intention to provoke it and can surely not be blamed for not expecting the Transvaal to commence a war that can but only end one way. Your men have in the meanwhile proved that the stock is not degenerating, but that they are still "chips" of the same old block, preferring to give the enemy a fair chance rather than to wait and overwhelm him by numbers. Were I one of you I would not trouble but rather rejoice in the assurance that, with a Government open and honest and men so truly brave to support it. England will continue to lead the Nations. onwards and upwards and remain the ruler of the seas and its shores to the equal benefit of all, whether to one born, under the flag or to-A FOREIGNER

BRIGADIER-GENERAL MAC-DONALD ON THE WAR.

~ (not a Britisher),

Brigadier-General Macdonald, C.B., commanding the Fourth Volunteer Infantry Brigade, | front, and reinforcements were daily arriving. delivered a lecture to the members of the East of Scotland Tactical Society within the Royal Hotel, Edinburgh, on 15th November on "The war in the Transvaal." There was a large attendance, presided over by Colonel Gerrard, chief staff officer at the Scottish Military Headquarters. General Macdonald, towards the outset of his lecture, commented on the exceptional geographical position of the Transvaal and the Free State-their whole territory his way by the railway some weeks ago in being surrounded to the extent of fully five order to bring guns to Colonel Baden-Powell, sixths by a British Colony or Protectorate, and | when his train was wrecked, and he himself the remaining sixth being closed in by Portu- wounded and made a prisoner. It was comguese territory. It was obvious, he went on, mented on as a very foothardy proceeding at that, if the British power was efficiently main- | the time, but when we knew that Mafeking tained in the surrounding British Colonies and | was making ready to stand a seige without Protectorates, the power of the two Republics | having any real force of artillery, the desperate must, from the necessities of the case, be character of his attempt was satisfactorily a diminishing quantity. Further, the in- explained, and the attempt itself justified. ternal productive power of the country must | What had been already done at Mafeking be much crippled the longer the war might be truly described as wonderful, and was carried on. Clearly, if these States | whether Colonel Baden-Powell could hold contemplated engaging in war with the out till relief came or not, he and his Government of the country having the brave men-consisting to a great extent of control of the encircling terrain, their chances | irregular troops-would never be forgotten of success depended on four things-(t) The in history. (Applause.) Colonel Baden-Powdevelopment of a fighting force, excluding all | ell's new and brilliant application of the who might not be friendly to the Government; armoured train idea, in laying down an (2) the accumulation of large stores of arms, encircling zone of railway for the town's defence, ammunition, and munitions of war; (3) the use | was a great and remarkable step of progress, of every effort to introduce disaffection to the and opened out a vista in which the far-seeing Government of, and bring about military revolt. Leve might discern many things. Was it beyond in the surrounding country; and (4) to declare | possibility that there should be a development war suddenly, and to strike rapidly, putting out | of mobile amoured vehicles, not only on rails, the utmost power available at once, so as, if but on roads, or even on open country, inpossible, to establish prestige, and encourage | dependent of long teams of horses, which were partisans both in and outside the country by so easily destroyed by shell, moved by early successes, while correspondingly depress- | mechanical power produced by small-bulk fuel, ing-the-enemy,-cousing-his suffering non-com-trand, therefore, economical in transit? His would batants and his Parliamentary Opposition, and, | perhaps, be called a dream, but when he looked it-might be, the weak-kneed among the sup- | back and saw how many dreams in locomotion porters of his Government, to use influence | had become realities within the last sixty years, towards the patching-up of a peace. Accord- he thought there was ground for saying that it ingly, the whole course of events had demon- | was no dream of Utopia. (Applause). At the strated that all these points had been astutely present moment, continued General Macdonald, kept in view in the counsels of the South | the main interest of the compaign centred at-African Republics. That they had been train. Ladysmith. Whatever happened elsewhere | ing their pro-Government inhabitants, laying before invasion of the enemy's territory began, in large quantities of war material, and using | could only be of the nature of satisfactory or means to stir up revolt outside their bor- unsatisfactory incident. Indeed, the same ders, was fully demonstrated. Having made | might be said of Ladysmith itself. - Its these preparations, they precipitated war by capture would unfloubtedly be a great had it under the hand of Mr. Reitz, him- enemies, and deprive is of a considerable force, I am afraid there will be a great many "kids" | self,-he |-knew-must bring about an im | But the only result would be a certain degree just quoted I would urge upon you all to pay! of war having inevitably arisen, the first step | past when it could have any real effect upon taken by the Government of this country was the general situation. There has been a good Standing before you here I am in age senior to mobilise and dispatch such a force as should | deal of criticism of the strategy of our General demonstrated four things-(1) That with its pre- | Glencoe and Dundee we were enabled to put a thorough soldier's training; (3) that the arms very backbone of the defence. As regarded Mr. Palmer of the China Inland Mission and ammunition of all branches were the very Ladysmith, they might, without being too best that modern science and experience could sanguine, expect that it would hold out until The Rev. R. Swallow, M.D., in an eloquent | provide; and (4) that it could, within a month, succour arrived or the enemy had to be withaddress supported the motion. "The pre- put a fleet of transports of many hundreds of drawn, from the necessity, imposed on them

the columns and illd be required to organise | do so in vain. For, in words which were now with all the necessary and them to the front, memorable, "we mean to see this through." without which an army upment and stores, (Loud applause.) with mobility and sustain not advance into an enemy's country. The efficiency some weeks to come, the centre effore, for some weeks to come, the centre effore, for Royal Scots, Brigadier-General Macdonald was now gathering its strength for the came warmly thanked for his lecture. paign, but with the outnumbered force which was so gallantly resisting the invasion of our Sutherland, late of the Queen's Brigade, conown territory, and endeavouring, with much cluded the proceedings. - Scotsman. the enemy in check until there was time for our forces to come forward. (Applause.) In Natal in the east, in Rhodesia in the north, and in Mafeking and Kimberley on the west, the small forces we had available had up to now effected much, and would deserve the most grateful recognition of their truly splendid services -- as much those, if any, who might be compelled to yield to forces too powerful, as those who might be able to hold on until relieved. Every week, every day that they gallantly struggled on was a great gain to their country's cause, and they had all done enough already to make it certain that if any of them had to succumb, it was not for want of General Macdonald directed attention to the general geographical and topographical features of the seat of war, noted the strategic significance of the railway system of South Africa, and pointed out the great military advantage and the incalculable political advantage which had accrued to us as the result of the Orange Free State having thrown in its lot with the Transvaal at the commencement of the struggle. General Macdonald next sketched what appeared to be the leading ideas of the Boer strategy, and said it must be admitted that these were sound, and had been carried out up to the present time with considerable acuteness. If their Generals had not been able to carry them all out effectively up to the present time, the failure had been due to two causes-namely, that the very vigorous character of our defence in Natal had compelled a larger concentration of Boer force in that region than was at first thought necessary, and that they had, in some quarters, met with a resistance much more effective and persistent than they had reason to expect. The small forces opposed to them were still presenting a resolute Another ten days would make even a temporary success of the Boesson a large scale impossible, and any small scale success of little account. In the meantime, our prestige as a fighting race was being magnificently maintained at Kimberley, and, above all, at Mafeking, which was gallantly holding out although badly provided with guns. The fact that it was so explained Captain Nesbitt's attempt to force forty-eight hours ultimatum, which they misfortune, It would put heart into our force it Glencoe and Dundee had been adversely commented on as being a sacrifice of sound strategy on political grounds. One been taken of making Ladysmith our first denot have been in anything like so good a posi-

A vote of thanks to Colonel Gerrard for Meteorological means based on afteen years' observations to 1898, Humidity......64 Rainfall 0.985 TO-DAY: WEATHER REPORT. Barometer..... 30.10 Temperature 72 Humidity 47

Rainfall o.or TO-DAY. Thufsday, 21st December, 1899. Chinese-19th of 11th moon of 25th year of Kreang-sii, .Sun-Rises 6hr. 37min. Sets 5hr. 19min. High water-Afternoon hr. 54min. Afternoon whr. 41min. Low water-Morning 5hr. 47min. Morning ihr. 23min.

1736-Steam navigation first attempted. 1854 -- Several hundred armed Tainings arrested in Hongkong. 1872--The Princes Philip and Augustus o Sachse-Coburg visited Hongkong.

TO-MORROW.

ANNIVERSARIES.

Friday, 22th December, 1899. Chinese-20th of 11th moon of 25th year of Kwang-sii. Sun-Rises 6hr. 38min. Moon - Max. Dec. N. Shr. f.m. High water—Morning thr. 31min. Afternoon 11hr. 12min. Low water - Morning 6hr. 22min. Afternoon 5hr. '5min.

1805 - Lord Beaconstield born. 1836 -- Two Mandarins arrived at Macao with secret orders to watch the movements of Plenipotentiary Elliot. 1864 -- Capture of Savannah by General Sher-

ANNIVERSARIES.

1879—British victory near Kabul. 1800 - Return of Governor Sir William Des

Voux to Hongkong. 2897 - The German cruiser Karsarin Augusta arrived in Hongkong from Europe. -

AGENDA.

TO-DAY. Cargo ex Giscla subject to rent. Cargo ex Preussen subject to rent. Cargo ex Bombay subject to rent. Cargo ex Suisang subject to rent. 9 p.m.-A.D.C. performance of "Mother-in-- law" at the City Hall.

TO-MORROW. Football-Shield Tie, Hongkong Engineers 7. " F " Co. R.W.E. Cargo ex Vindobona subject to rent. o p.m. -Dance, given by the Hongkong Engineers and Ship Builders Institute, at

the City Hall. SATURDAY, 23rd. Public Holiday. Noon .- P. & O. steamer Coromandel, with mails, leaves for England. Noon. -- "Ben" line steamer Benlaria leaves for London.

N. P. R. Steamer Monmouthshire leaves for Portland, Oregon O. & O. steamer *Doric* leaves for San Francisco Football-Shield Tie-" G" Co. R.W.F. v V.R.C.

9 p.m.-A.D.C. performance of "Mother-inlaw" at City Hall. SUNDAY 24th.

N. L. H. A. steamer Ambria leaves for Haore Hamburg. MONDAY, 25th.

Christmas Day. TUESDAY, 26th. 💎 Boxing Day.

C. N. Co.'s steamer Shansi leaves for Samarang and Sourabaya. WEDNESDAY, 27th.

Imperial German Mail Line steamer Prinz - Heiririch for Hamburg. Shewan, Tomes and Co.'s steamer Asama leave i for New York (about). H.K.V.C. ORDERS.

6 p.m.—"E" Coy Company Drill at Head-3 p.m. Auction sale, Kowloon Inland Lot 496 at Mong-Kok-Tsui, at P.W.D. office.

THURSDAY, 28th. P. & O. steamer Socolra leaves for London

SHIPPING AND MAIL NEWS.

English (Massilia) 23rd inst. Indian (Kumsang) 23rd inst. . Canadian (Empress of China) 25th inst. Australian (Eastern) 25th inst. German (Prinz Heinrich) 26th inst. American (Nippon Maru) 26th inst. German (Karlsruhe) 26th inst. Australian (Tsinan) 31st inst. American (Onsang) and prox. American (Coptle) 10th prox.

Line) left Singapore-for this port yesterday and is expected to arrive here on the 26th inst

The Canadian Pacific Railway Co.'s R.M.S. Empress of China arrived Kobe at 5 p.m. on

HONOKONG AND WHAMPOA DOCK RETURNS. Rohilla China.... Nanyang Clara Triumph Powan D. Juan d'Austria ... Cosmopolitan Menmuir

- PASSED, THE CANAL Outward - 10th November - Slam, Tosa Maru. 14th November-Willingburg, Bombay Whitchall. 17th November-Glenfarg, Bengloc, Silesia, Dardanus, Ness, Annam. 21st November - Antenor, Preussen, Bedouin, Bergenhus. 24th November-Merionethshire. 28th November - Caledonien, Alderney, Hilachi Maru, Holsatia, Romney, Thordis. 1st 'December - Salaxie. 15th December -Kherson, Shanghai. 19th December-Canton, Hyson, Langbank, Sachsen, Acolus, Bingo: Masu, Burdon, Cathay, Heidelberg.

Homeward-ist December-Bayern, Java, Marie, Valerie, Orestes, Tonkin. 15th December-Onnfa. 19th December-Orestes, Sydney,

TAIVUAN, British steamer, 1,459, 21st Dec.,-Adelaide 11th Nov., Melbourne Brisbane 24th, Townsville 26th, Cairns 27th, Cooktown 28th, Thursday Island 2nd Dec., Port Darwin 7th, and Manila 18th, General.—Butterfield & Swire, YUENSANG, British steamer, 1,128, P. H. Rolfe, R.N.R., 21st Dec., Manila 18th Dec., Hemp and Sugar.-Jardine, Matheson &

LYEEMOON, German steamer, 1,238, G. Heuer. mann, 21st Dec.,-Shanghai 17th Dec. General. - Siemssen & Co. TAISHUN, Chinese steamer, 1,216, Klopfer, 21st

Dec.,-Shanghai 17th Dec., General,-C. M. S. N. Co. COROMANDEL, British steamer- 2,783, F. W. Vibert, R. N. R., 21st Dec., Shanghai 19th Dec., Mails and General.-P. & O. S.N.

BORMIDA, Italian steamer, 1,499, G. Sartorio, 21st Dec.,-Bombay and Dec., and Singapore 14th, General.-Carlowitz & Co., Stan, British steamer, 992, H. N. Holton, 21st Dec.-Bangkok 13th Dec., and Ang Hin 13th Dec., Rice and General.—Bradley

TAI LEE, German steamer, 828, T. Calender, 21st Dec,-Mauritius 27th Dec., Sugar,---- Meyer & Co. PEIVANG, German steamer, 953, R. Köhler,

21st Dec.,-Haiphong 19th Dec., Rice.--A-R-Marty. MEEFOO, Chinese steamer, 1,339, Frigast, 21st Dec.,-Canton 21st Dec., General.-C. M.

DECIMA, German steamer, 965, Christiansen, 21st Dec.,-Moji 16th Dec., Coal.-Sander, Wieler & Co. ARIAKE MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,886;

M. Yamamoto, 21st Dec. Kuchinotzu 15th Dec., Coal. Mitsui Bussan Kaisha, ! COWRIE, British steamer, 3,155, Davies, 21st Dec.,-Batuan-11th Nov., and Singapore 14th Dec., Kerosine Oil .- Arnhold, Karberg MAIUZURU MARU, Japanese steamer, 667, T

Ogata, 21st Dec., Tamsui via Amoy and Swatow zoth Dec., General.-Order KWANG PING, Chinese steamer, 1,242, W. Blake: 21st Dec. Tientsin rath Dec. and Chesoo toth, General.-C. E. & M. PROSPER, Norwegian steamer, 789, E. Thors-

teinsen, 21st Dec.,-Swatow 20th Dec., General.-Geo. R. Stevens & Co. TIENTSIN, British steamer, 1,250, Dawson, 21st Dec.,-Wuhu 18th Dec., General,-Butterfield & Swire.

Clearances at the Harbour Office. Legaspi, Spanish str., for Manila. Vuensang, British str., for Manila. Lycemoon, German str., for Canton. Phranaug, British str., for Bangkok. Formosa, British str., for Swatow. Nanyang, German str., for Saigon. Aufing, Chinese str., for Shanghai. Hatting, French str., for Haiphong. Taishun, Chinese str., for Canton. Siam. Danish str., for Tientsin. Prosper, Norwegian str., for Montane Bay. "Ningpo," British str., for Wuhu, Kagoshima Maru, Japanese str., for Robe. Hailan, British str., for Swatow. Hermes, Norwegian str., for Hongay, Pak Kong, British str., for Canton.

Takao Maru, Japanese str., for Yokohama. Departures. Dec. 21, Amigo, German str., for Haiphong. Dec. 21, Hongkong, French str., for Haiphong. Dec. 21, Foochow, British str., for Wuhu. Dec. 21, Formosa, British str., for Swatow. Dec. 21, Kong Beng, British str., for Saigon.

Kwai Lum, British steam-launch, for Macaon

Francisco. Dec. 21, Wosang, British str., for Amoy. Dec. 21, Wittenberg, Ger, str., for Kiouchow. Dec. 21, Anping, Chinese str., for Shanghai. Dec. 21, Ningpo, British str., for Wuhu. Dec. 21, Legaspi, Spanish str., for Manila. Dec. 21, Taisang, British str., for Canton. Dec. 21, Kagoshima Maru, Japanese str., for

Dec. 21, Wongkoi, British str., for Bangkok.

-Dec.-21,- China, American steamer, for San

Passengers-Arrived.

Per Siam, from Bangkok, &c.-3 Chinese. Per Tai Lee, from Mauritius-268 Chinese. Per Bormida, from Singapore-151 Chinese. Per Taishun, from Shanghai-20 Chinese. Per Lycemoon, from Shanghai-Messrs, M. Roth and Brem, and 79 Chinese. Per Yuensung, from Manila-Mrs. Calravas. Messrs, Martin, Weil, Moritro, Maguarita, and

to Chinese. Per Taiyuan, from Australian Ports-Mrs. Nelson, Mr. and Mrs. Wellonghby, Mr. Toy, 60 Chinese, and 2 Japanese.

Per Coromandel, from Yokohama for London -Mr. II. Wilkins. From Shanghai-Miss Duthoit, and Mr. and Mrs. MacDonald." For Marseilles-Mr. A. P. Dunstan, For Singapore-Mr. P.-F. Wichham. For Hongkong-Mrs. A. Smith, Mr. J. Kusaka, Rev. M. Fernandes, Messrs. M. Heckel, Wyon, L. J. de Silva, and 4 Chinese.

Per Kwangping, from Tientsin, &c.-Mr. Terriss, and 29 Chinese. Per Maidzuru Maru, from Coast Ports-100 Chinese and 5 Japanese. Departed.

Per China, for Shanghai-Mr. H. Goldman, and Mrs. F. T. Adams. For Yokobama-Mr. George Okawara. For Honolulu-Mr. Lam. cet For San Francisco Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Vinton, Mr. H. G. Vinton, Mrs. J. A. Scagreve, Miss Rachel Scagreve, Misses Julia Scagreve, Grace Scagreve, Master Gordon, Scagreve, Misses Haswell, E. Haswell, Mr. Lanchu T. Y. Chow and servant, Misses L. D. Greene, F. M. is the money to provide too of 200 duminy to worthily represent the British nation. We, be a bar to civil, employment. In a word, it must be Pretoria, and that on the practically wednesday, 20th inst. and left left again at Messrs. J. J. Collins, G. S. Beebe and J. Geoder with bayonets, jackets and head-dress to as Britishers, had privileges which no other swould do much to raise the status of the soldier straight road to that objective lay Bloemfontein, midnight for Nagesakl, Shanghai and Hong-, man. For London-Messrs. R. Nagelmachers. Messrs. J. J. Collins, G. S. Beebe and J. Geod and O. Roditi.

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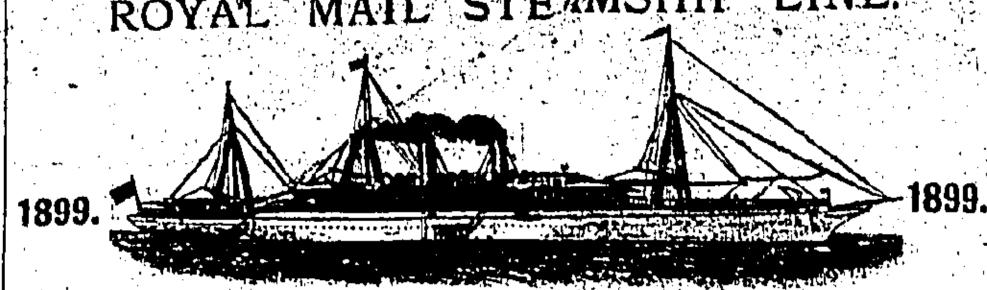
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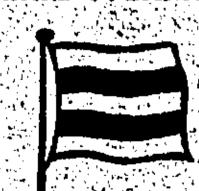
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FUNERAL OF THE LATE BIR O. B. H. MITCHELD, G.O.M.G.

Seldom has there been seen in Singapore a more imposing spectacle than that which marked the committal to its last resting place of the mortal remains of the late Sir Charles Mitchell, G.C.M.G. Despite the necessarily short notice to make all the arrangements for so exceptionally important a ceremony, yel in every detail it was conducted with dignity, and that very dignity lent solemnity to what is indisputably the most solemn public function that any community can be called upon to participate in . . .

The morning, although threatening rain, was fortunately fine and cloudy - A few drops did fall, but nothing to inconvenience the vast concourse gathered in the Cemetery and on the surrounding roads. Besides those taking part in the Funeral Procession, there were large numbers of natives and others on the Filter Bed ground, on the slopes of Government Hill, and in other parts of the Cemetery. The greatest decorum prevailed, however, and the order that kept carriages from the vicinity of the Cemetery materially assisted the Police arrangements.

Punctually at half past six the funeral cortege started. Twelve Royal Marine Light Infantry, of which arm of the service the late Governor. was a retired Lieut. Colonel, marched on either side of the coffin, which was covered with a Union Jack, on which was placed the sword of the deceased, and his jewel of the Grand Cross of St. Michael and St. George.

In slow time, and to the strains of Chopin's "Funeral March," the hearse and cortege made its way through the Government Domain to the Cavanagh-road. From there, six paces apart, on both sides, men of the King's Own Regi--ment lined the road. The Police lined all the roads in the vicinity of the Cemetery.

At the junction of the road from Government Hill and Cavenagh Road the head of the military and naval portion of the funeral procession was placed, the S. V. A. as' junior corps coming first, Capt. St. Clair in command, in the absence of Major the Honble A. Murray. Then followed the Singapore Company, Royal Engineers, commanded by Lt. Vesey, R.E., No. 1 Singapore Company Hongkong-Singapore Battalion R.A., in charge of Capt. De. Berry, R.A., of the two companies-1st King's Own (Royal Lancaster) Regiment; the Royal Engineers commanded by Major Lewis Jones, R.E.; the Royal Artillery, commanded by Major Lewes, R.A.; and last, as the senior arm of the service, a strong naval force of blue-jackets and marines. Following the military and naval portion of

the procession there came the members of the Executive and Legislative Councils, the Foreign Consuls, the Masonic Body (of which the late Governor was District Grand Muster) and a very large and representative body of mourners of the civil community of Singapore, The Puisne Judges present were Mr. Justice Law and Mr. Justice Harwood.

The Civil Mourners included the heads o all Government 'Departments the President of the Municipality, Mr. A. Gentle, and the heads of nearly every mercantile firm in Singa-

Slowly the sad procession wended its way to the west entrance of the Cemetery, where the coffin was transferred from the hearse to the shoulders of the bearing party from the Roya Marines, and was met by the Clergy and Choir and St. Andrew's Cathedral. Archdencon Perham was, unfortunately too ill to attend; is, in fact, under orders to proceed to Europe. The Rev. D. Holland Stubbs conducted the service in the Mortuary Chapel; the first part of the ceremony by the Naval Chapalin (Rev. H. Dalzell) and the concluding portion by the Military Chaplain, Rev. E. Wetherall. In the Chapel the surpliced choir sang the goth

coffin was borne out of the Mortuary-Chapel, preceeded by the Choir and Clergy, and followed by the chief mourners. Immediately after the Benediction the firing party of the King's Own, a hundred strong, fired the usual three volleys in the air—the soldier's requiem. Then the various military and naval units marched out of the cemetery, and the great gathering within the cometery, al English-speaking Singapore practically, slowly dispersed, after such a ceremony as had never before been witnessed in the Colony.

The inscription on the coffin was:--Charles Bullen Hugh Mitchell, O.C.M.G. 7th December, 1899

Aged 63 years. A salute of 17 guns was fired from H. M. S. Hermione, commencing at 6.30 a.m.

At the meeting of the Singapore Legislative Council on the 12th instant reference was made to the death of Sir Charles Mitchell, the late Governor, as follows:

Mr. Burkinshaw :- Sir, on behalf of the Unofficial Members of this Council I desire to give expression to the profound grief felt by them at the loss which this Colony has suffered by the death of the late Governor, Sir Charles Mitchell, than whom no one could be more upright, honourable, and conscientious in the performance of his duties. The relations between the late Governor and the members of this Council, extending for a period of six years, have been always characterised by perfect harmony, due to his consistent consideration of the views of all the members and his ver manifest desire to do that which was best. beg to move the following motion :---

That an entry be made in the minutes of the proceedings of this Council that the members are possessed by a feeling of profound grief for the loss which they and this Colony have suffered by the death of the late Governor Sir Charles Mitchell.

Also resolved that a copy of the above entry be sent by the Clerk of the Council to Lady Mitchell accompanied by a letter stating that this Council desires to send to her an assurance of the sympathy of the members with her

he could say for himself, and on behalf of digested form having great healing and strenghis brother officials on the Council, that thening proporties, most valuable in Consump. they agreed with all that was in the motion lon and wasting diseases. Read the followproposed by Mr. Burkinshaw, It, was not ing :-"I have found Scott's Emulsion of great for them who had served under the late benefit in the treatment of phthisical and Sir Charles Mitchell to use any words to express the loss the Colony had sustained and does not upset the stomach—thus remov-That had been well said, by the Secretary of ing the great difficulty experienced in the State in his despatch, which had been published administration of the plain of -D, P. KENNA, in the Gazette. They only desired to express L.R.C.S., Surgeon, St. Vi. ent's Hospital, their deep sympathy with Lady Mitchell.

The motion was then put and carried, Mr. Burkinshaw ventured to submit to the Council that it would be a fitting mark of respect to the late Governor that the Council. should adjourn without transacting any further business. It seemed to him more especially filting that that should be done when they bore in mind that that meeting had been actually convened by his direction, and at which be would, in the ordinary course of events have presided. He moved that the Council adjourn to Tuesday next

Dr. Lim Boon Keng seconded the motion, which was carried, and the Council then adjourned .- S. F. Prost.

ALARMING REPORT FROM PEKING.

FOURTEEN FRENCH AND AMERICAN CHURCHES BURNED DOWN. PEKING, December 3rd.

Fourteen churches in Shantung Province, China, have been burned down by mobs. The majority, of the churches are supposed to belong to French and American missions.—

The Osaka Asahi states that the burning down of a church in China cannot be said to be an extraordinary incident but the destruction of fourteen churches at once time seems to be rather a serious affair. No official report has been received by the Japanese Government, A telegram in somewhat similar terms to the above was received by the authorities a few days ago but it has not been confirmed and there is some doubt as to the whereabouts of the place of despatch.

PIRACY AND MURDER.

THE CULPRITS SECURED.

Early in November, the Straits, Government received the following telegram from the Government of West Australia, which we published

"Brigantine Ethel lest Broome October 19th for Lagrange Bay to the north-west of Western Australia, has not arrived. When last seen October 30th steering northerly direction past Lacepede Islands. Fear that Asiatic crew mutinied, murdered Ridell, master of ship, son, and carpenter, and stolen vessel. Shall esteem assistance from H.M. Government in seizing vessel."

Nothing was heard of the whereabouts of the ship until 11th inst. when a wire was received by the Straits Government from the Governor-General of Netherlands India to the following effect :-

"The Resident of Amboina and the Governor of Celebes report that a part of the crew of the brigantine Ethel, after murdering the captain, his son, the mate, and others, and after sinking the vessel, landed in boats at Adaunt, Tenimber Islands. On information given by a sailor called Pereira, the Dutch officials arrested the culprits and seized their valuables; all goods and persons concerned are now in Macassar."

The Tenimber or Timorlaut Islands are off the west coast of New Guinea, and are under the control of Holland. - Straits Times,

ADMIRAL SEYMOUR'S RECEPTION AT SINGAPORE.

A VISIT TO THE ACTING GOVERNOR.

Punctually at five o'clock, yesterday afternoon, says the Straits Times of 13th inst., Vice-Admiral Sir E. H. Seymour was officially received at Johnston's Pier from the battleship Centurion. On the pier were drawn up the band of the "Kings Own" Regiment, and a guard of honour of the regiment consisting of two officers (one with the colours) and fifty men. The Admiral stepped ashore accompanied by Flag-Lieut, F. A. Powlett, both officers being in the full uniform of their rank-Assembled on the pier were the heads of the military and Government departments, who were presented by Major-General Dickson to Admiral Seymour. The guard of honour gave the general salute; the band played, and the Admiral forthwith drove to Government House, where an official visit was paid to the Acting Governor, Sir Alexander Swettenham. Sir Alexander returned the official call on the Centurion this morning about nine o'clock.

FRENCH EXPEDITION MASSACRED,

Paris, November 1st. The Minister of the Colonies received the following telegram sent from Gribingi by M. Gentil, who is Government Commissioner the Shari district :-

"I deeply regret to inform you of the death of M. Administrateur Bretonnet, of Lieutenant Braun, and of Sergeant Martin, who were killed in an engagement with Rabah, the attack being directed by the latter in person. M. Bretonnet, who left Bagirmi to wait for the company commanded by Captain Julien, kept up the fight with thirty Senegalese sharpshooters against seven to eight thousand men. Twenty-seven Senegalese sharpshooters were killed, and three were wounded and taken prisoners, but one of the latter, Sergeant Sambassal, managed to escape, and was picked up by us. Rabal suffered severe loss, his son Niabe being seriously wounded, and the flower of his warriors

M. Gentil adds that on August 3rd he received at Gribingi, from M. Bretonnet, in command of the advance guard of the expedition, a letter dated July 16th, sent from Cogubu, in lat. 9deg. 42deg. N. This letter intimated that an attack by Rabah was seen to be imminent. On the next day, August 4th, M. Gentil set out, having with him the company commanded by Captain

Julien, 127 strong. When, in the course of this march he arrived at Gaura (odeg. 20min' N.), on August 16th. the news of the disaster was brought him by the Senegalese sergeant who escaped from the massacre, M. Gentil immediately established at Gaura a strongly entrenched post, commanded by Captain Robillot, having at its disposal the two guns belonging to the Julien company, and then returned to Gribingi in seven days in order to send to Gaura a second company of sharpshooters, 127 strong, commanded by Captain Cointet. This second company left Gribingi on August 26th. A force large enough to insure the safety of the Gribingi post was; meanwhile, kept in the rear.-Reuter.

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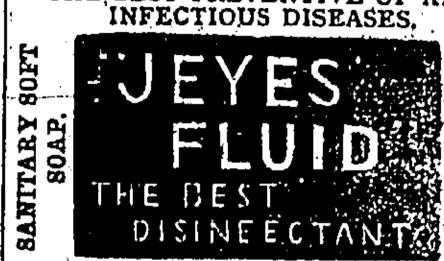
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VESSELS IN PORT.

L, British steamer, 1,855, W. H. Gibson, 17th Dec.,—Kutchinotzu 12th Dec., Coal. -Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. ODA MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,937, K amamoto, 19th Dec.,-Anpin Furmother 17th' Dec., Ballast.—Dodwell & Co.

WFA, British steamer, 1,055, J. William Ang 12th Dec.,—Bangkok 2nd Dec., Swire. Hin 5th, General.—Butterfield, E. Peter-TEROS, German steamer, h Dec., Rice.— sen, 20th Dec.,—Saigon, th Dec., Rice. iemssen & Co. WONGSE, British Meamer, 1,057, Richard Curtis, 15th Sec.,—Bangkok 6th Dec., and Ang Min 8th, General.—Yuen Fat

ong. American steamer, 2,691, Harry Smith, N.R., 16th Dec.,-San Francisco 17th ov., Honolulu 24th, Yokohama 7th Dec., obe 8th, Nagasaki 10th, and Shanghai th, Mails and General.-O. & O. S. S.

IANS JURG KIER, Norwegian steamer, 1, H. Lersbryggen, 18th Dec., -Swatow th Dec:, General.-Harling, Buschmann Menzell. German steamer, 900, L. Boihyer,

th Dec.,-Bangkok 8th Dec., Rice,bsen & Co. -HNG, British steamer, 1,267, W. Davis, th Dec.,-Foochow 13th Dec., Amoy th, and Swatow 15th, General.-Douglas, praik & Co.

, British steamer, 1,183, J. S. Roach, th Dec. - Foothow 17th Dec. Amoy th, and Swatow 19th, General.-Douglas, praik & Co. G, French str., 705, M. Jenssen, 19th ec.,-Haiphong 16th Dec., and Holhow

th, Rice and General.—A. R. Marty. ALBERT, German steamer, 10,600, O. ppers, 13th Dec.,-Yokohama 4th Dec., ails and General.—Melchers & Co. NING, British steamer, 2,122, S. H. lson, 18th Dec.,-Calcutta 29th Novi, nang 7th Dec., and Singapore 11th,

eneral. David, Sassoon Sons & Co. German steamer, 1,237, Lorenzen, 20th c., Hongay 18th Dec., Coal. - Sander, UIR, British steamer, 1,980, S. J. George,

Dec.,-Sourabaya and Cheribon 25th ov., Sugar.—Jardine, Matheson & Co. OUTHSHIRE, British steamer, 1,871, W. Evans, 17th Dec.,-Portland, Oregon h Nov.; General and Flour. - Dodwell

NG, German steamer, 983, Th. Lehmann, Dec.,-Canton '3rd Dec., General.mssen & Co.

RCH, German steamer, 1,258, H. Necker. th Dec., -Java 7th-Dec., Sugar. --Order, CHOM KLAO, British stenmer, 1,011, J. wler, 18th Dec.,-Bangkok 9th Dec., l Anghin 11th, Rice.—Yuen Fat Hong. NANG, British steamer, 1,021, A. S. lder, 14th Dec.,-Bangkok 5th Dec., 1 Ang Hin 7th, Rice and General.en Fat Hong.

ESS, German steamer, 687, P. Brandt, h Dec.,-Touron 12th Dec., Rice.mssen & Co. NTIS, British str., 1,390, W. Mackay, h Dec.,-Singapore 9th Dec., General, Heung Sing Steamship Co.'

LA, British steamer, 3,501, S. de B. ckyer, R.N.R., 21st Nov.,—Yokohama h Nov., General.—P. & O. S. N. Co. RICKMERS, British steamer, 690, J. R. sbet, R.N.R., 15th Dec.,-Foochow and noy 13th Dec., General.—Arnhold, Kar-

Danish steamer, 2,489, Glahan, 17th c., -Antwerp 17th Oct., and Singapore Dec., General. - Melcheis & Co.

German steamer, 2,560, Behrens, 18th c., -Singapore 12th Dec., General.lowitz & Co. VD, British steamer, 3,284, Cumming, h Dec., - New York 6th Oct., Kerosine.

Butterfield & Swire. G, British steamer, 1,776, E. J. Todd, h Dec.,-Calcutta 22nd Nov., Penang i, and Singapore 3rd Dec., Opium and neral.-Jardine, Matheson & Co. German steamer, 1,046, R. Schuldt,

h Dec.,-Saigon 15th Dec., Rice.-MARU, Japanese steamer, 1,699, K. segawa, 16th Dec.,-Moji 12th Dec., d.-Mitsui Bussan Kaisha. PH, German steamer, 675, A. Rieke,

Dec.,-Haiphong and Hoihow 5th ., General.—Jebsen & Co. 1 MARU, Japanese steamer, 2,367, A. E. ses, 2011, 13 c.,-Australian Ports via nila 18th Dec., General.—Nippon Yusen-

Sailing Vessels.

OBRIG, American bark, 1,302, Arms? y, 17th Oct.,—New York 5th May, Case —Standard Oil Co. CDONALD, American ship, 2, 128, Stern,

Nov.,-New York 25th June, Oil.ndard Oil Co. L. CUSHING, American bark, 1,540, idleton, 1st Oct.,-New York 16th May,

c Oil.—Order. American ship, 1,828, D. Whitmore, Oct.,-New York 30th May, Case Oil. tandard Oil Co. British 4-masted bark, 2,087, Huestis,

Aug.,—Cebu and Phillipine Islands d Aug., Ballast.-Order. OF MAINE, American ship, 1,500, cord, 9th Oct.,-New York 20th May,

osine Oil.—Standard Oil Co. Doon, British bark, 669, J. Peterson. h Dec.,—Rajang, Sarawak, N.B. 15th v., Hard-wood.—Order.

WARATAH, British schooner, 25, Haynes, 23rd Sept.,-Takow 15th Sept., Ballast.-Mr. F WM. H. CONNER, American ship, 1,424, J. T. Erskine, 14th Oct.,-New York 7th May,

and Rio Janeiro 11th July, Kerosine.

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HER BRITANNIO MAJESTY'S SHIPS

Hongkong, December 21st, 1899, Alacrity, despatch-vessel, 1,725 tons, 10 6-pd. q.f. guns, 3,000 l.h.p., Commander A. H. Smith-Dorrico, on route Singapore. Algerine, sloop, 1,050 tozs, 6 guns, 1,100 i.h.p., Comdr. E. J. W. Slade, Hongkong. Aurora, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. E. H. Bayly, Manila. Barfleur, 1st class battleship, 13,000 tons, 14

guns, 13,163 i.h.p. Captain Hon. S. C. J. Colville, C.B., Hongkong. Bonaventure, 2nd class cruiser, 4,360 tons, 18 guns, 9,000 i.h.p., Capt. R. H. J. Mont-gomeric, C.B., R.N., Shanghai. Brisk, British cruiser, 1,770 tons, 6 guns, 5,600 h.p., Capt, Wrey, Kwang-chow-wan.

Daphne, sloop, 1,140 tons, 8 guns, 2,000 i.h.p., Comdr. C. Winnington-Ingram, Hankow, Endymion, British cruiser, 7,350 tons, Capt. G. | Revel, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, 96 tons, A. Callaghan, en route Wei-hai-wei. 200 i.h.p., Lleut.-Comdr. C. Chadwick,

Ichang. Fame, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer, 360 Ussurt, Russian torpedo boat, 140 tons, 4 guns, Akagi, 620 tons, 10 guns, 700 h.p., at Kure. tons, 5.400 i.h.p., Lieut.-Com. W. J. Keyes, Firebrand, 3rd class gunboat, 455 tons, 4 guns, 360 i.h.p., Hongkong.

Handy, twin screw, torpen, bonk destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns, 100-boat destroyer, 260 Hars, twin screw, 102 do-boat destroyer, 260 tons, 6 guns Joa i.h.p., Hongkong.

Humber, stornilp, 1,640 tons, 800 i.h.p., Coin.

Linnet, gun-vessel, 756 tons, 2 heavy guns, 4 6-pounders, 870 i.h.p., Commander W. W. Orlando, British cruiser, 5,600 tons, Capt. 1. H. Burke, Hongkong.

Peacock, 1st class gunboat, 775 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 i.h.p., Lieut,-Comdr. S. G. Douglas, Phanix, British gunboat, 1,015 tons, Comdr. Cochran, Hongkong.

Pigmy, 1st class gunboat, 755 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. J. F. E. Green, Wei-hai-wei. Plover, 1st class gunboat, 453 tons, 6 guns, 1,200 l.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. C. V. de M. Cowper, Manila.

Redpole, British gunboat, 805 tons, Capt. F. F. Haworth Booth, Shanghai. Sandpiper, British river-gunboat, 2 guns, Lt.-Comdr. Carr, on the West River. Swift, gun-vessel, 756 tohs, 2 heavy guns, 4

6-pounders, 870 i.h.p., Hongkong. Tamar, receiving ship, 4,600 tons, Comdr. Powell, Hongkong. Tweed, coast desence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 * guns, 200 i.h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. H. E. Hill-

man, on the West River, Undaunted, 1st class cruiser, 5,600 tons, 12 guns, 8,500 i.h.p., Capt. A. C. Clarke, Hongkong. Victorious, British battleship, 14,900 tons, 32

guns, 12,000 i.h.p., Captain A. Schomberg, Waterwitch, surveying vessel; 620 tons, Commander W. P. Dawson, Hongkong. Whiting, twin screw, torpedo-boat destroyer,

360 tons, 6,000 i.h.p., Lieut, Comdr. E. Kelly, Hongkong. Wivern, coast defence ship, 2,750 tons, 4 guns, 1,000 i.h.p., Hongkong. Woodcock, British gunboat, 2 guns, 560 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. Watson, on the Yangtsze.

Woodlark, British gunboat, 2 guns, 550 h.p., Lt.-Comdr. R. A. Norton, on the Yangtsze. Torpedo-boats in Reserve Nos. 8 and 20, 35, 36, 37 and 38, first-class; and 3. second-class

Carlo Alberto, Italian cruiser, 7,000 tons, Capt. R. Call, Shanghai, Etna, Italian craiser; 3,500 tons, Capt. G. Giorello, en ruote Singapore. Liguria, Italian cruiser, 4,500 tons, Captain Casella, Singapore.

Piemonte, Italian cruiser, 2,800 tons, 12 guns, -Captain Giúliani, Singapore. Stromboli, Italian cruiser, 4,000 tons, 36, guns, 6,252 h.p., Capt. C. Bregante, Singapore. --

Miscellaneous. Liberal, Portuguese gunboat, 588 tons, Comdr. Cunha, Hongkong, Presidento Sarmineto, Argentine cruiser, 2,850 tons, Capt. Betbeder, Manila.

FOREIGH MEN-OF-WAR ON THE CHIMA AND JAPAN STATION. The Russian Squadron,

Admiral Kozniloff, Russian aimoured cyniser, 5,000 tons twin serew, 36 guns, 9,500 h.p., Captain-Jakovleff, at Nagasaki. Alcout, Russian gunboat, 810 tons, 8 guns, 1,200 h.p., Captain-Elkisky, at Nagasaki. Bobre, Russian gunvessel, twin screw, 950 tons,

13 guns, 1,150 h.p., Captain Dobrovolsky, at Nagasaki. Dimitri Donskoy, Russian armoured cruiser, 5,893 tons, twin screw, 34 guns, 7,000 h.p., Comdr. Sharon, at Nagasaki.

Gaidamak, Russian gunboat, 400 tons, twin screw, 18 guns, 3,500 h.p., Capt. Serebrennikst, at Nagasaki. Gremiastchy, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,492 tons, twin screw-12 guns, 2,000 h.p., .Capt. Miklashevsky, at Nagasaki.

Koreyetz, Russian cruiser, 1,200 tons, 9, guns, 2,150 h.p., Capt. Sillmann, at Nagasaki. -Mandjour, Russian-cruiser, 1,213 tons, twin screw, 14 gans, 1,500 h.p., Capt. Yakoveff, Navarin, Russian battleship, 20,000 tons; 10

"guns, 9,000 h.p. Captain Yenish, at Naga-Nayerdnik, Russian cruiser, 1;334 tons, 14 guns, 1,800 h.p., Capt. Zarine, at Nagasaki... Otvazny, Russian armoured cruiser, 1,490 tons, twin screw, 12 guns, 2,000 h.p., Captain. Coprianoff, at Nagasaki.

Pamial Azova,* Russian cruiser, 6,000 tons, 36 guns, 8,000 h.p., Captain Nidermiller, a Rossia, Russian armourd cruiser, 12,200 tons, = 22 guns, 14,500 h.p., Capt. Domojiroff, at

Rurik,‡ Russian flagship, 10,940 tons, armoured twin screw cruiser, 1st class, 48 guns, 13,500 h.p., Capt. Haupt, at Nagasaki. Silatch, Russian gunboat, 4 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Barronoff, at Nagasaki. Sissoi Veliky, Russian battleship, 10,000 tons, 14 guns, 8,500 i.h.p, Capt. Mollas, at Naga-

Sivoutch, Russian gunboat, 950 tons; twin screw 13 guns, 1,200 h.p., Capt. Soubatin, Vladimir Monomach, Russian cruiser, 6,000

tons, 16 guns, Prince Ouchtomsky, at Che-Vostock, Russian torpedo gunboat, 4 guns, 650 h.p., Com. Molchousky, at Nagasaki. Vsadnik, Russian torpedo bont, 400 tons, 18

guns, twin screw, 1,500 h.p., Capt. Rogulia, Zabiaka, Russian cruiser, 1,230 tons, 20 guns, 2,000 h.p., Capt. Shkruff, at Nagasaki. (1st and 2nd class.)

Forel, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots. Janichiche, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 970 h.p., 19 knots.

Nargen, Russian torpedo boat, 85 tons 4 guns, 1,200 h.p., 22 knots. Novorossisk, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 2,000 h.p., 22 knots,

gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots. h.p., 16 knots, Skorpion, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, I gun, Miyako, 2nd class, 1,800 tons 34 guns, 5,000 h.p.

220 h.p., 16 knots. Sootchena, Russian torpedo boat, 87 tons, 4 guns, 970 h.p., 19 knots. Sterlatd, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots,

Strauss, Russian torpedo hoat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 h.p., 16 knots. Sunguri, Russian torpedo boat, 140 tons, 4 guns, 1,800 h.p., 22 knots.

RUSSIAN TORPEDO FLOTILLA. (SEA GOING.) Borgo, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, Bt tons, 3 guns, 2 torp tubes 1,100 h.p., speed 21

3 guns, 2 torp tubes 780 h.p., speed 22 knots. Esk, coast desence gunboat, 363 tons, 3 guns, Sweaborg, 1st class, Russian torpedo boat, 69 tons, 3 guns, 2 torp tubes 780 h.p., speed 19.7 knots.

> ,800 h.p., 22 knots. Flagship of Vice-Admiral Alexeieff. * Flagship of Rear-Admiral F. V. Dubossoff. 1 Plagship of Rear Admiral Recouncil.

THE FRENCH SQUADRON. Benguli, and class dispatch-boat, Lt.-Comdr. De La Croix de Castries, at Haiphong. D'Entrecasteaux, * ist class cruiser, 8,114 tons, 26 guns, 13,500 i.h.p., Capt. de

Marolles, at Kwang-chau-wan. Descarles, and class protected cruiser, 4,000 tons, 36 guns 631 i.h.p., Captain Philibert, en route Kwang-chow-wan. Eure, Dispatch-transport, Capt. Vallee, at

Jean Bart, 1st class cruiser, 4,500 tons, 10 guns, 8,000 i h.p., Capt. Aubin, at Kwang-chau-

Kersaint, 3rd class cruiser, 1,243 tons 13 guns, 2,200 i.h.p., Capt. de la Motte du Portail, at Kwang-chau-wan. Lion, gunboat, 473 tons, 8 guns, 576 h.p., Capt.

Amet, at Holhow. Pascal, and class protected cruiser, 4,000 tons, 36 guns, 9,000 i.h.p., Capt. M. Motet, at Kwang-chau-wan. Surprise, gunboat, 627 tons, 10 guns, 860 i.h.p.,

Capt. Mornet, at Hongay. * Flag-ship of Vice-Admiral Courrefolles. THE GERMAN SQUADRON. Deutschland, * German battleship, 8,400 tons,

38 guns, 5,360 h.p., Captain Müller, Bangkok. Gefion, German cruiser, 4,200 tons, 25-guns, '9,000 h.p., Capt. Rollmann, Bangkok." Hansa, German cruiser, 6,400 tons, Capt. Pohl,

at Hongkong, Hertha, German cruiser, 6,000 tons, Capt. S.'v Usedom, at Hongkong. Illis, German gunboat, to guns, 1,600 h.p., Captain H. H. Lans, on the Tsingtau. Irene, German cruiser, 4,400 tons, 22 guns, -8,000 h.p., Capt. Obenteimer, at Nagasaki.

Jaguar, German cruiser, Captain Kinderling, at Kiaochow. Kaistrin Augusta, German cruiser, 6,000 tons, 12 guns, 13,040 i.h.p., Captain Gulich, at Shanghai.

* Flagship of Prince Henry of Prussia.

THE AMERICAN SQUADRON. Bennington, U.S. gunboat, 1,710 tons, 6 guns, 3,436 h.p., Com, C. H. Arnold, at Manila.

Callao, U.S. gunboat, 137 tons, I gun, 55 h.p., Lieut. Benjamin Tappan, at Manila. Custine, U.S. gunboat, 1,177-tons, 8 guns, 2,199 h.p., Comdr. S. W. Very, at Manila.

Celtic, U.S. supply-ship, 6,428 tons, 1,890 h.p., Lieut.-Comdr. N. J. K. Patch, at Manila. Concord, U.S. gunboat, 1,700 tons, 6 guns, 3,405 h.p., Comdr. S. M. Ackley, at Manila. Culgoa, U.S. supply-ship, 7,000 tons, 2,350 h.p., Comdr. J. W. Carlin, at Manila.

Glacier, U.S. supply-ship, Lieut. Comdr. J. B. Briggs, at Manila. Helena, U.S. gunboat, 1,397 tons, 8 guns, 1,998 h.p., Comdr. E. K. Moore, at Manita. Iris. U.S. distilling-ship, 6,100 tons, 1,300 h.p.,

, Lieut. Comdr. W. H. Everett, at Hong-Manila, U.S. gunboat, 1,057 tons, 2 guns, 750 h.p., Lieut. Comdr. A. P. Nazro, at Manila. Monadnock, U.S. double-turret monitor, 3,990

tons, 6 guns, 3,000 h.p., Comdr. John McGowan, at Manila. Monocacy, U.S. gunbout, 1,370 tons, 6 guns, 850 h.p., Com. G. A. Bicknell, at-Shanghai. Monterer, U.S. double-turret monitor, 4,084

. tons, 4 guns, 5.244 hp., Comdr. E. H. C. Leutze, at Manila, Nanshan, U.S. collier, Licut. L. A. Kaiser, ... Oregon, 1st class U.S. battleship, 10,233 tons, 16 guns, 11,111 hlp., Capt. G. F. F. Wilde, at Manila.

Petrel, U.S. gunboat, 892 tons, 4 guns, 1,095 h.p., Condr. C. C. Comwell, at Manilar Princeton, U.S. gunboat, 1,000 tons, 6 guns, 800 h.p., Comdr. Harry Knox, at Manila. Wheeling, U.S. gunboat, 1,000 tons, 6 guns,

1,081, h.p., Comdr. W. T. Burwell, at Zungkiang, British steamer, 108, J. J. Lossieres, Yorktown, U.S. gunbont, 1,710 tons, 6 guns, 3,392 h.p., Comdr. C. S. Sperry, at Manile. Yosemite, U.S. converted cruiser, 6,179 tons,

Zafiro: U.S. dispatch-vessel, Master A. M.

JAPANESE MEN-OF-WAR.

Battleships.

Yaskim , 1st class, 12,460 tons, 38 guns, 14,000 h.p., at Kure. Fuji, 1st class, 12,450 tons, 38 guns, 14,000 h.p., at-Vokosuka. Chinyen, 2nd class, 7,330 tons, 22 guns, 6,200. h.p., at Yokosuka.

Coast Defence Ships. Matsushima, 1st class, 4,277 tons, 25 guns, 5,400 h.p., at Saseho. Hsuskushima, ist class, 4,277 tons, 35 guns, 5,400 h.p., at Kure. Hashidate, 1st class, 4,277 tons, 35 guns; 5,400

h.p., at Yokosuka. Kongo, 2nd class, 2,550 tons; 13 guns, 2,035 h.p.,

Hiyei, 2nd class, 2,550 tons, 13 guns, 2,035 h.p., Heiyen, and class, 2,600 fons, 15 guns, 2,400 h.p., ∍at Yokosuka, Cruisers.

Kasagi, protected cruiser, 1st class, 4,978 tons, 30 guns, 15,500 h.p., at Saseho. Chitose, protected cruiser, 1st class, 4,978 tons, 30 guns, 15,500 h.p., at Kure. Akashi, protected cruiser, 1st class, 2,800 tons, 30 guns, 8,500 h.p.; at Kure.

Yoshino, protected cruiser, Ist class, 4;150 tons, 32 guns, 15,000 h.p., at Kure. Naniwa, protected cruiser, 1st class, 3,709 tons, 24 guns, 7,120 h.p., at Manila. Takachiho, protected cruiser, 1st class 3,700

tons, 24 guns, 7,120 h.p., at Keelung. Chiyoda, protected cruise, 1st class, 2,450 tons, 27 guns, 5,500 h.p., at Kure. Takasago, protected cruiser, 1st class, 4,227 tons, 30 guns, 10,000 h.p., at Yokosuka. Akitsusu, protected cruiser, 1st class, 3,150

26 guns, 8,500 h.p., at Sascho. Suma, protected cruiser, 1st class, 2,750 tons, Capt. Shimamura, 24 guns, 8,500 h.p., at Idaumi, protected cruiser, 1st class, 2,950 tons,

20 guns, 6,080 h.p., at Yokosuka... Podorosnik, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 | Sal-yen, protected cruiser, 1st class, 2,300 tons, 15 guns, 2,800 h.p., at Yokosuka. Sisik, Russian torpedo boat, 23 tons, 1 gun, 220 Akitsushima, protected cruiser, 1st class, at

Takao, 2nd class, 1,764 tons 15 guns, 2,400 h.p., at Shanghai. Yaeyama, 3rd class 1,600 tons, 10 guns, 5,630 h.p., at Amoy. Tsukushi, 3rd class, 1380 tons, 12 guns,

2,887 h.p., at Kure. Sloops and Corvettes. Musashi, 1,490 tons, 10 guns, 1,600 h.p.; at

Yokosuka. Kalsuragi, 1,480 tons, 10 guns, 1,600 h.p., at Yamato, 1,480 tons, 10 guns, 1,600 h.p., at Chemulpo.

Tenriu, 1,556 tons, 10 guns, 1165 h.p., at Fusan. Kaimon, 1,360 tons, 10 guns, 1,125 h.p., at Amagi, 1,030 tons, 13 guns, 720 h.p., Yokosuka,

Oshima, 640 tons, 10 guns, 1,200 hip., at Saseho. Alago, 620 tons, 10 guns, 700 h.p., at Kobe. Maya, 620 tons, 10 guns, 700 h.p., at Kure. Chickai, 620 tons, to guns, 700 h.p., at Taku. Soko, 572 tons, 4 guns, 400 h.p., at Saseho.

Iwaki, 600 tons, 6 guns, 400 h.p., at Yokosuka, Chinto, 490 tons, 5 guns 472 h.p. Chinesi, 490 tons, 5 guns, 472 h.p. Chin Hoku, 490 tons, 5 guns, 472 h.p. Chin Pui, 500 tons, 9 guns, 455 h.p. Chin Chu, 500 tons, 9 guns, 455 h.p.

Torpedo-gunboat. Tatsuta, 875 tons, 6 guns, 5 torpèdo tubes, . 5,500 h.p., at Yokosuka.

Torpedo-boats. Murakumo, 279 tons, at Ujina. Shinonome, 279 tons, at Kure. Yugiri, 279 tons, at Takeshiki. Shiranuki, 279 tons, at Kobe.

Ikadusch; torpedo-boat destroyer, 331 tons, Comdr. I. Ishida, at Yokosuka. Kotaka, 190 tons, 6 torpedo-tubes, 1,400 h.p. Shiramubi, torpedo-boat, 278 tons, Comdr. Kosoma, at Japan.

14 boats' (Creusot), 56 tons, 2 torpedo-tubes, 7 boots (Kobe), 56 tons, 2 torpedo-tubes, 525 boat (Normand), 75 tons, 2 torpedo-tubes, 2 boots (Schichau), 90 tons, 3 torpedo-tubes,

4 boats (Yarrow), 40 tons, 3 torpedo-tubes, 10 boats (Yarrow), 40 tons, 3 torpedo-tubes,

620 h.p. Misoallaneous.

Tokiwa, at Yokosuka. Fuso, at Kure. Naniva, at Yokosuka. Rimjo, armoured cruiser, 2,530 tons, to guns, 600 h.p. "'-(used as gunnery traning ship.)

Kanjiu, sailing-ship, 877 tons, 6 guns. (used as training ship.) Manjiu, sailing-ship, 877 tons, 6 guns. .. (used as training ship.) Tsukuba, wooden screw steamer, 1,989 tons,

10 guns, 520 h.p., at Edajima. (used as training ship.) Asama, sailing corvette, 1,420 tons, 12 guns, at

- (used as a hulk.) Jingel wooden paddle steamer, 1,465 tons, 2 (used as torpedo training ship.

RIVER STEAMERS, SCHOONERS, AND LORCHAS.

Fatshan, British steamer, 2,260, J. Dick,-Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat

Ho-nam; Brifish steamer, 1,377, II. D. Jones, -Hongkong, Canton, & Macao Steamboat Powan, British steamer, 1,890, A. N. Patrick,—

Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Hankow, British steamer, 2,235, C. V. Lloyd,-· Butterfield & Swire. Hoi-tong, Chinese steamer, 409 tons, Captain

Austen,-Chi Wo & Co. Tai-on, British steamer, 728, Goblouski,-Tai On Steamship Co. Chun Wai, British steamer,-Kwong Wan S.S.

Honzkong and Masas. Heungshan, British steamer, 1.055, W. E. Clarke,-Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steamboat Co.

Macao and Canton. Lungsham, British stehmer, 108, Morrison,-Hongkong, Canton and Macno Steamboat

Kinnghing, Chinese steamer, 563, Holmes,-China Merchant Steam Navigation Co. Canton and West River.

-Hongkong, Canton and Macao Steam-City of Whampoa, Chinese steamer, 40,-Ah 10 guns, 3,800 h.p., Capt. G. E. Ide, at Sun Chow, Chinese steamer, -Ah Yon.

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